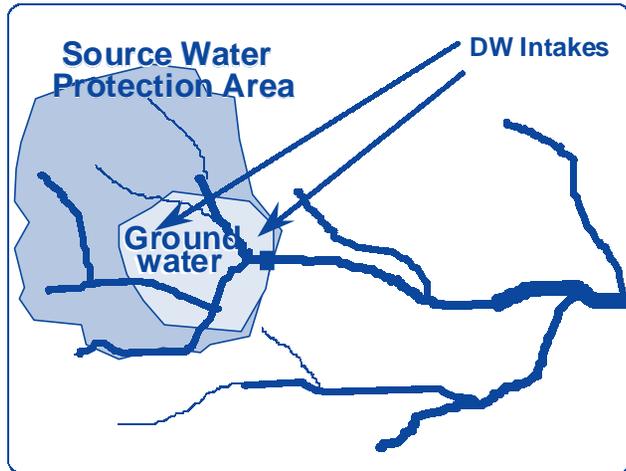




U.S. EPA's Safe Drinking Water Goals for 2005



As required by the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) of 1993, USEPA has, in conjunction with states, tribes, and other stakeholders, established performance-based goals for 2005 which are objective, quantifiable, and measurable.

OVERALL GOAL: By 2005, protect human health so that 95% of population served by community water systems will receive water that meets health-based drinking water standards....



Watershed

By 2005, 50% of the population served by community water systems will receive their water from systems with source water protection programs in place.

By 2005, increase protection of ground water resources by managing all Class I, II, and III injection wells and by managing identified, high-risk Class V wells in 100% of high priority protection areas (e.g., wellhead, source water, sole source aquifer, etc.).

By 2005, protect drinking water sources by increasing by 50% the waters that meet the drinking water use that States designate under the Clean Water Act.

Treatment

By 2003, provide a stronger scientific basis for future implementation of Safe Drinking Water Act.

By 2005, standards that establish protective levels for an additional 10 high-risk contaminants (disinfection byproducts, arsenic, radon) will be issued.

User

By 2001, every customer served by a community water system will have access to a consumer confidence report that contains information about the system's source water and the quality of the drinking water.

- By 2005,
- the population served by community water systems providing drinking water that meets all 1994 health-based standards will increase to 95% from a baseline of 83% in 1994.
 - 95% compliance will be achieved for any new standards within 5 years after the effective date of each rule.